

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please rewrite the paragraph 8 at page 1, lines 24-33, so it reads as follows:

FEC employs a type of redundant code that has both an error-detecting and an error-correcting capability. Due to the structure of the codes used, however, long burst errors present difficulties for FEC, while the CRC method can detect long burst errors with a fairly high degree of accuracy. The CRC and FEC methods are therefore most effective when they are used selectively, according to the rate of error occurrence and other channel conditions. Not infrequently, the CRC and FEC methods are used in combination.